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THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN.

EBENSBURG, PA.,

Friday Morning, - - March 21, 1873.

THE Pennsylvania Legislature will adjourn finally on the 10th of April, a resolution to that effect having passed the Senate unanimously on Wednesday.

THANKS to Congressman Speer for Census Report, to State Senator Wallace fo Smull's Legislative Hand-Book, and to an unknown friend for Constitutional Convention reports.

OUR humble legislators are trying to imitate Congressmen in the salary line. Having raised the Governor's salary from $5,000 to $10,000, they passed a bill last week raising their own from $1,000 (all they expected to get when elected,) to $1,500.

IN Philadelphia, on Monday last, the Supreme Court in banc delivered the opinion of the court on the Local Option law. Judge Agnew read the opinion of the majority of the court (Judges William Mercur and himself), that the law is strictly constitutional. Chief Justice Read, for himself and Judge Sharswood, dissented.

IN thirty-seven counties of New York that have recently held elections the Democrats and Liberals have carried twenty, against five last year.—There is a net gain of eighty-three towns. In the Michigan town elections there is also a large Democratic gain. Credit Mobilier and the exposure of the corruptions and villanies of such eminent radical saints as Pomeroy, Harlan, Caldwell, and the rest, are evidently doing their work among the intelligent people of the country.

THE increased pay voted to the Governor and other State officers by the present Legislature will take out of the Treasury annually about $65,000.—Borrowing the back-pay idea from Congress, the Legislators elected last fall to serve for three months, for $1,000, propose to increase their salaries 50 per cent., and make it a round $1,500, exclusive of allowances for mileage and postage. We think, with the Clearfield Republican, that this is a greater steal than even that of Congress.

THE Harrisburg Patriot publishes the following brilliant extract from Senator Harry White's great speech against the Philadelphia election bill, delivered on Wednesday night of last week, and only regrets that it has not space sufficient to publish the masterly effort in full. Here is the extract, however, and from it our readers can judge to some extent of the merits of the entire speech:

"The peopawhl of Pennsylvanieawh; our great countrieeo; the great republican partiece of Philadelphieawh; the duty of the legislatieyawrh; senatawhrrs. I pawhszzz! The partieee is responsibbawhlll for this great nashawnnnn!" [Sensation.]

THREE hundred and fifty-seven millions one hundred and fifty-five thousand dollars was the amount of outstanding legal tenders last week. The limit is $356,000,000, but Boutwell and Richardson still insist on their power to reissue the $44,000,000 that was redeemed and cancelled. Notwithstanding the adverse report of the finance committee of the Senate, Secretary Boutwell has just issued another million of these legal tenders. The radical secretary evidently holds the opinion of the Senate in extremely small respect when he ventures on an exercise of power which its committee declares wholly unauthorized by the laws of Congress.

THOSE who were patiently waiting to step into the shoes of some of the present members of General Grant's Cabinet have—with the exception of Mr. W. A. Richardson, who succeeds Secretary Boutwell—been egregiously disappointed, and are venting their feelings against the President in a manner that indicates anything rather than love. The President has seen fit to continue all his old retainers, and in this particular has perhaps done as well or better than he could have done had he resolved upon a change. Whereupon the Phila. Evening Herald very facetiously remarks: Now, we have only one request to make of President Grant. It is a simple one, and he can, if he will, easy grant it. It is this: That the people shall be made fully acquainted with the length of time that Secretary Fish is to remain in his present position. If it be a year, let them know it, or if two or three, or if for the whole term. Everybody is sick and tired of the everlasting rumors in regard to the resignation of this official. Whether these rumors have their origin with the Secretary himself, or whether they are emanations from the prolific pens of idle newspaper correspondents, we do not know, but we do know that the people have had quite an elegant sufficiency of them and are now hoping for their discontinuance.

Letter from Texas.

JACKSON, Texas, March 1, 1873.

MR. EDITOR—Thinking a few words from these genial regions of the "Sunny South" may be interesting to your readers in the boreal regions of the icy north, I will devote a leisure hour in writing about this most delightful portion of the United States.

This is the seat of justice of Jack county, a small but fast improving town on the very outskirts of civilization. Jack is a border county, and has been greatly retarded in being settled, owing to its exposed frontier position, subjecting it to Indian excursions. The population of the county is small at present, but steadily increasing; and the people are felicitating themselves with a hope of an early completion of the Dallas and Washita Railroad, which will be the means of building up the town, settling up the country, and affording ampler means for protecting themselves against the raids of the red savages. This county lies in the "Cross Timbers" at the head of the Trinity river, east of Haskel county, with Throckmorton and Young counties intervening. It has great diversity of soil and surface, and is one of the mineral counties of the State.

The mineral wealth and natural advantage of this portion of Texas will compare with any portion of the United States. All she needs to make her the great producing State of the union, is enterprising capitalists, skilled mechanics and stalwart laborers. She only lacks men of means, of skill and of muscle to develop her vast mines, by the erection of rolling mills, blast furnaces, foundries, grist and saw mills and manufactories of all kinds. Business men throughout the old States have no knowledge of the vast resources of Texas. The explorations of the copper veins in many of the adjoining and surrounding counties, show conclusively that there are within their borders immense deposits of all the minerals known. The supply of these mineral deposits is supposed to be inexhaustible. The most prolific deposits of the richest copper ore known, covers a very large area of Jack, Archer, Clay, Wilbarger and Washita counties. The ore is much easier excavated from the stratas in which it is found in the counties than is the copper ore found in any other country, and the ore is much easier smelted than any other copper ore known.

The coal in Young and adjoining counties that his road will develop, will exercise a most important influence on the future welfare and prosperity of Texas. There is an abundance of this most valuable mineral fuel in Young and adjoining counties, to supply the most extravagant demands of the State for centuries. The quality of the Texas coal compares favorably with the coal of Kentucky, Missouri, Illinois and Iowa. Young county especially, is full of coal, it being found everywhere in the sinking of wells. In a geological survey of the State, made in 1866, there were discovered at the mouth of Whiskey creek, near Fort Belknap, three distinct coal beds, separated by bands of limestone, fire clay, sandstone and shale. This coal it is said cokes without changing its form, and burns with a bright yellow flame. The value of the coal in this portion of Texas cannot be overestimated. There is, in addition to these immense coal deposits, in the same limits, vast accumulations of iron ore, which only require a judicious expenditure of labor and capital to be converted into a prolific source of wealth. The gypsum beds in these northwestern counties are believed to be the largest in the world, and capable of supplying all the demands of the south and west for thousands of years. Between the Brazos and Big Washita rivers, there are hills seven hundred feet high, composed almost entirely of this material. In this section of the State are also found immense beds of hydraulic limestone and extensive beds of building rocks of great beauty and durability; also immense quarries of [illegible] limestone of remarkably fine texture; which receives a very fine polish, and is as beautiful as the Tennessee marble for ornamental work. There has also been discovered in this district specimens of galena or sulphurate of lead, which induces the belief that future researches will develop the existence of valuable veins of this metal.

I would here ask, what other district of country in the United States so rich in all the elements of greatness, and offers such inducements for capitalists and men of enterprise? No other country in the world is comparable with this portion of Texas in the richness of its various minerals; in the variety and fertility of its soil; in the diversity of its productions, and in the salubrity of its climate. Most especially does it excel as a pastoral country, as its wide prairies and sloping hillsides teem with herds of cattle, horses, sheep and goats. No portion of Texas' vast domain has a climate more genial and healthful, and no territory of equal area presents so many inducements to men of enterprise and capital, nor such varied enticements to the industrious emigrant. When the Dallas and Washita Railroad is built, no other section of the Union will increase so rapidly in population and wealth as these northwestern frontier mineral counties of Texas. There is no limit to the productive capacity of this portion of the Lone Star State. The building of the Dallas and Washita road will cause a stream of emigration to flow into these frontier counties, not only from the old States, but from the Old World, that will drive back the savages that the general government has allowed to act as a barrier against civilization. The completion of this road will people all the frontier counties, which are now comparatively an unoccupied wilderness, with a brave, hardy class of men, who will protect themselves without applying and pleading for aid from a government that has shamefully abandoned its citizens to the merciless red men; the fathers, sons and brothers to be murdered, scalped and mutilated; the children to be throttled and brained, and the wives and daughters to be outraged and borne into a captivity worse than death. As before observed, the completion of the Dallas and Washita Railroad will attract to the frontier counties, colonies of brave, hardy men, who will be able to protect themselves from the predatory excursions of the Indians, wherever they may choose to locate. The Washita Colonization, Agricultural, Mining and Manufacturing Company, which is directly identified with the Dallas and Washita Railroad Company, offers inducements to emigrants they will not meet with elsewhere. I may speak of this colony in future letters.

WASHITA.

THE N. Y. Sun propounds the following plain but pointed propositions:

Suppose that in the month of September last the Republican managers had announced that if they should succeed in the approaching Presidential election, one of the measures which they would first enact would be to raise the salary of President Grant to $50,000 a year.

Suppose it had also been believed by the people that the Republican majority in Congress, after having been paid the stipulated salary for their services, would vote themselves $5,000 each out of the Treasury.

Or suppose that those two propositions had been incorporated in the Republican platform adopted by the Philadelphia Convention, by which Grant was nominated for re-election.

How many States would Grant have carried? How many Republican Congressmen would have been re-elected? Is it not evident that Grant could not have got a single State, and that every Republican candidate for Congress, running on such a platform, would have been defeated?

All this being true, is it not the insanity of public robbery which has led Grant to lobby for the passage of a bill through Congress raising his own salary to $50,000 a year, and which has led Republican Congressmen to pass that bill? If they dared not announce this enormous act of robbery as a part of their plan before the election, how do they expect the people to regard it after the election?

A MOST BRUTAL MURDER.—We are called upon to chronicle the most brutal, unmanly murder that has occurred in this city for years. Charles J. Cloak murdered his wife while she was peacefully slumbering along side of his own mother, early on yesterday morning. The weapon used was an ordinary wood ax, the poll end of which was driven into the skull, causing almost instantaneous death. Cloak was arrested and is now confined in the Central Station. A reporter of the *Dawn* interviewed him and also visited the scene of the inhuman act. He, however, learned little to fix a motive or explain the cause of the horrible deed, further than is inferable from the fact that Cloak was crazy from the effects of whisky. He can himself assign no cause, nor do the neighbors know of any difficulty between them. In the dead hour of night, with nothing to excite deadly animosity he procured the ax from the yard and going to her bedside, with one blow dashed out her brains, and this after having lived with her for over thirty years, and without apparent cause. Cloak is a machinist by trade, is 52 years of age, and with the exception of going on an occasional spree, he has borne a fair reputation. The Coroner viewed the body yesterday and will hold an inquest to-morrow.—*Pittsburgh Sunday Dawn.*

A NEW CURE.—The following case of Mr. Kurtz, Postmaster at Athens, Ohio, is one of considerable importance, inasmuch as Mr. K. had undergone various modes of treatment with different persons for the past few years, without any material relief. When he came to me he was in a very reduced state, and had about given up all hopes of ever being cured.—He is a well-known gentleman, and has numerous relatives in this city, and is the son of Mr. George A. Kurtz, of Allegheny city:

DR. KEYSER: I am glad to be able to report to you, that your medicines are exercising a [illegible] influence on my system. Their restorative effects are manifest. That I can now perform considerable manual labor, not only without feeling exhausted as hitherto, but with, I think, positively beneficial results. I am also steadily increasing in flesh; have gained about nine pounds since I commenced treatment with you.

W. W. KURTZ.

Dr. Keyser's consulting office in the rear of his medicine store, 167 Liberty street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

—A terrible conflagration occurred at Elyria, Ohio, Saturday night. The fire originated about midnight in the dry goods store of Starr Bro.'s & Co., in Ely block, corner of Well and Broad streets, and in a short time the flames were bursting from every window. The wind was blowing a gale at the time, and drove the fire through the entire block of ten elegant stores, stopping only at Washington avenue. Telegrams were sent to Cleveland for aid, and a steamer arrived about 3 A. M., but the danger was then mostly over, though the engine rendered efficient service in preventing further spread of the fire. The total loss will probably reach $200,000; insurance, $138,000. The finest business part of the town was burned.

MANY excellent and ingenious pieces of mechanism have proved utterly worthless to the possessor, because they required so much skill in the operation.

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—The most extraordinay frog story that we have seen for a long time comes from Colorado. The Greeley *Tribune* tells it thus: "Mr. Graham recently found a petrified frog in excavating his well. Its features were wonderfully well preserved, and the owner had intended to present it to the Greeley Geological Cabinet, but one day the boys shattered it with a hatchet, and, to their utter surprise, an old Aztec coin dropped out. The date cannot be deciphered, but the figure of a head is plainly visible."

News and Political Items.

—A female beast-tamer was recently nearly killed by a tiger in a circus at Selma, Ala.

—One Charles Clarkson, of Hays City, has killed 3,000 buffaloes in the last four months.

—An Illinois town offers to give $30,000 to the man who will go there and invest $100,000 in a cotton-mill.

—One of the numerous places known as "Washington's Headquarters," is offered for sale near Morristown, N. J.

—Medford, N. J., has an ewe sensation in the shape of an ovine mother which has borne eleven lambs within two years.

—Twenty Connecticut widows owning good farms are advertised as living within a few minutes' walk from the postoffice.

—A colored North Carolinian, aged eighty-three, recently allied himself to a bride of sixty-five and a mother-in-law of 115.

—A seven-year-old emigrant from Texas lately arrived at Harrisburg, Pa., having accomplished the entire journey by himself.

—The weeping mourners of a funeral procession in Farmington, Me., put out a fire the other day on their way to the cemetery.

—Mt. Carmel, Ill., strikes an even balance between its churches and its barrooms: six of one and half a dozen of the other.

—At Mahanoy City, Pa., Lentz, Bowman & Co.'s "breaker" was entirely destroyed by the tornado there on Saturday night.

—The bill fixing the election of State Treasurer in March, has been negatived in the Senate, and the present incumbent, Mackey, will hold over.

—When Brigham Young's children sing "Father, dear father, come home," the effect is said to be wonderful. The old man comes home without delay.

—An ingenious Baltimorean has invented the name of Candenline for an infant daughter unexpectedly presented to him a few days ago on the Camden railway.

—Enosburg, Vt., registers eight voters who have had amongst them twenty-five wives; one of them having been married four times, and each of the others thrice.

—Bishop MacIlvaine, of the Episcopal church and Bishop of Ohio, died at Florence, Italy, last week. His body will be brought to Cincinnati, Ohio, for interment.

—A baby was recently taken from the St. Paul boarding-house by a writ of *habeas corpus*, where it was detained as security for the indebtedness of a bankrupt boarder.

—One hundred cases of measles are reported in the town of Meredosia, Ill., all of which broke out within three days.—No deaths are reported from the disease as yet.

—Mr. George Ackerman, for some years postmaster at Latrobe, died on Saturday from the effect of an injury received by being thrown out of a sleigh a few weeks since.

—At a saw mill in Olean there is a log containing twenty-eight hundred and ninety-two feet, board measure. It weighs eight tons and takes six horses to draw it on a sled.

—Elijah Somers, of Crisfield, Md., has been a member of the "culled persuasion" for 115 years. It is said he can swear and drink whisky equal to any man in the state, black or white.

—Three small children, son and daughter of Henry Phebe, and a son of Charles Blake, were drowned at Bangor, Maine, on Thursday, by breaking through the ice while they were at play.

—From Portland, Or., comes the news of the loss of the United States mail steamer George S. Wright while on her voyage from San Francisco to Sitka. It is feared that all on board are lost.

—There is a religious sect in Vermont who wash each other's feet. A down-east exchange suggests that there is a sect in Washington who wash each other's reputations, but it is not a very religious sect.

—Straw is elected Governor of New Hampshire by about 400 majority. Which indicates that the wind continues to blow Republican at that quarter, though with a slight abatement of intensity.

—It is rumored that our government is likely to take steps to establish a new State on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande, with San Luis as the capital.—The project was first conceived by General Shields.

—The Legislature of Ohio has passed a joint resolution censuring the Ohio members of Congress who voted for the back pay swindle. They also censure those who voted against the bill, and nevertheless took the money. Right.

—A young man named Albert Keeler brutally killed a girl named Ida Spencer, aged fourteen, in Syracuse, N. Y., on Monday last. In trying to escape by jumping on the last car of a passing train he missed his hold, fell, and broke his neck.

—A colored member of the Alabama Legislature said in debate, the other day, that some of the Republican leaders were only actuated by a desire to occupy cushioned chairs through colored votes. The black man is becoming educated.

—A notable bell which now adorns the steeple of a Baptist church in California enjoys the unique distinction of having rung the knells of twenty-one murderers and summoned twice as many vigilance committees to their duties as guardians of the peace.

—A small pleasure steam propeller called the Grace Irving, bound from Boston to New Bedford, foundered at half-past three P. M. on Sunday, drowning James Ritchie, of Boston; Captain Ben F. Loudon, Geo. A. Browne, and Israel F. Parsons, of New Bedford.

—The most remarkable suicide of the time is that of T. F. Anderson, cashier of Lamberton's Bank, Franklin, Pa., on Friday last. He gathered and placed in the fire bank-notes, bonds, and bank papers to a very large amount, and then ran home and shot himself.

—In 1840 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company owned one locomotive, three passenger and one baggage cars. Now the same company controls sixty-three railroads, with a total length of 16,000 miles and a value of $670,000,000, together with 250 miles of canal and a line of steamships.

—Mr. H. L. Kauffman, residing on the Harrisburg turnpike, Lancaster county, caught eleven very curious birds one night last week, on his premises. They are apparently foreign to these parts, are white and gray mixed, somewhat larger in size than snow birds, and are altogether very pretty.

—In the township of Worth, near Chicago, on Friday morning, a house occupied by John Simmons, a farmer, was burned, and Simmons' father, aged eighty, and his child, aged two years, perished in the flames. A thousand dollars in bank notes secreted in a crevice in a wall of the house were burned.

—An honest old gentleman in Chicopee, Mass., waited vainly ten minutes for the gatekeeper to come out at a bridge recently made free, and finally got out of his sleigh, opened the door of the old tollhouse, laid ten cents on the table, and departed, happy in the consciousness that he had done his duty.

—It is estimated that the cost of the Briceland trial to the county of Washington, Pa., will reach about $3,000. The cost of the twelve jurors in the case, together with the two tipstaves having them in charge, alone amounts to $1,012.01, and $200 have been paid to witnesses for the Commonwealth.

—The old Catholic church and eleven dwellings in Norristown, Pa., were totally destroyed by fire on Monday night. All the property destroyed except the church was owned by William Simpson & Sons, of No. 130 Chestnut street, Philadelphia. Loss about $29,000, but the amount of insurance is unknown.

—Five hundred thousand dollars was voted by the lower House of the Legislature Thursday evening in aid of the Centennial Celebration. The bill now goes to the Senate, where we have no doubt of its passage. In the meantime subscriptions to the stock throughout the State are being rapidly and largely made.

—A clergyman, in Missouri, reports that recently he was called upon by a man to attend the funeral of his child; that the next day this man was thrown from his horse and killed; that the next day the widow came and asked him to preach the funeral sermon for her husband and child; and that the next morning she was fatally stabbed by another woman.

—August Mayford, a German, deliberately jumped down the Central shaft at Scranton, the other morning, and was instantly killed. He was supposed to be deranged. A short time previous to making the fatal leap he asked a workman if he would jump down. The man declined to do so, and Mayford exclaimed, "Well, if you won't, I will," and he was as good as his word.

—The third incendiary fire in less than a week at Cedar Falls, Iowa, occurred on Monday night last, by which the dry goods and boot and shoe stores of Fitcher & Fennerick and B. Thope, jr., were burned.—Loss, between $20,000 and $25,000 dollars. Insurance about $14,000. Five men were buried in the ruins of the falling walls.—Two were seriously, though it is thought not fatally injured.

—The telegraph informs us that a Mrs. Spicer, in a Western city, very nearly lost the right of dower in her deceased husband's estate—amounting to $40,000—for lack of a marriage certificate. It may be well to ask, how many married ladies in this country are better off than Mrs. Spicer. The manner in which the registration of marriages in some portions of this country is managed, ought to make ladies nervous.

—Five thousand five hundred Sacramento salmon were placed in the river at water works wharf, Harrisburg, by Col. James Worrall, Fish Commissioner, and D. W. Seller, Esq. The fish were hatched from ova, at Morristown, N. J., and were brought to Harrisburg by rail in three cars. They were from one to two inches in length, and seemed in a healthy condition. Quite a number of persons were present to see them let loose in the river.

—The latest invention for heating purposes is the charcoal "parquett," a new kind of heater, consisting of charcoal mixed with some ingredients which make it smoulder slowly. The fuel is encased in an iron tray enclosed in a copper box hermetically closed. The heat from one fire will last twenty-four hours if necessary, and the expense is really almost nominal. It is said to accomplish the object more safely and effectually than any form of stove or steam pipes.

—A hard working girl, named Lizzie Wallace, living in New York, losing a relative, and having no money to pay for the burial, pawned some furs that belonged to another person, to meet the expense, intending to redeem and restore the goods as soon as she could earn the means. For this she was sent to the State prison for one year. In the meantime, the fact is noted that Hon. Wm. M. Tweed enjoys excellent health, and intends making the tour of Europe next summer.

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THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN.

EBENSBURG, PA.,

Friday, - - - - March 21, 1873.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

—Clearfield is to have a new school-house, to cost $2,455, which is to be completed by the 1st of December next.

—Cambria borough has petitioned the Postmaster General to change the name of the post-office to Cambria City.

—The Altoona *Daily Tribune*, we are glad to learn, is to make its debut some time between the first and tenth of April.

—An Altoona man has complained to the authorities about his wife, who eats cakes in bed, much to his discomfort.

—Henry Dewalt, of Hempfield township, Westmoreland county, had his thigh broken by being thrown from a wagon, on Monday, March 17th.

—A fight in Huntingdon the other day resulted in the serious injury of a woman who interfered, and who now lies in a critical condition.

—For fish of all kinds go to M. L. Oatman's. Mackerel, white fish, lake herring, Holland herring, cod-fish and smoked salmon cheaper than elsewhere in Ebensburg.

—The Indiana *Messenger* is authority for the statement that a man named Samuel Waffel was frozen to death in this county the 25th ult., but just where or how it fails to tell us.

—John L. Watterson, a railroad employe at East Conemaugh, had one of his legs badly crushed while assisting in moving the turntable at the round house, on Saturday morning.

—Mrs. Ellen J. Murray, of this place, will sell at public outcry, on Saturday, March 29th, an elegant piano and a large variety of valuable household and kitchen furniture, see handbills.

—Mr. Anton Pfaller, of Conemaugh borough, says Wednesday's Johnstown Tribune had one of his feet badly crushed by a pile falling upon it while he was working at his employment as a puddler in the rolling mill.

—The scissors are mightier than the pen with us this week, and those of our cotemporaries who suffer by the operation will have to "wait and come again" if they find anything worthy of their *steal* in future issues of the *Freeman*.

—The Legislature recently passed a bill authorizing the Governor to appoint as many additional notaries public as he may see proper, the officers so appointed to pay a fee of $5 into the treasury for the use of the commonwealth.

—Henry Keener, a brakeman on the P. R. R., whose home was at Greensburg, was killed at Larimer's Station on Monday last by being caught between the bumpers of two cars, and so badly crushed that he died immediately.

—A. Moore, President, H. A. Shoemaker, Secretary and Treasurer, and Jas. Moore, Manager. That is the way the Ebensburg Mining and Manufacturing Company fixed things Saturday night. And they mean business on a large scale.

—Edward Ling and John Rinard were precipitated about twenty feet by the giving way of a scaffold at the Steel Works, Johnstown, on Friday last, and the result was a fractured leg for the former and a dislocated ankle for the latter.

—Peter Rubina had both legs badly but not seriously crushed by a fall of coal in a mine at Hemlock, on Friday. Mr. Christ. Rubina, was injured in a similar manner, and maimed for life, at the same place, just two years before.

—A man named Holliday, says the Hollidaysburg *Democrat*, while endeavoring to catch a coal wagon from running into a car at Shafton Station, was drawn in the wagon, and fell to the bottom, a distance of one hundred and sixty feet, and was killed instantly.

—Our townsman, Hon. A. A. Barker, has had honors the high position of Grand Worthy Templar of the Temple of Honor and Temperance of Pennsylvania, and is now engaged in making official visits to the subordinate and Social Temples throughout the State.

—A young man named Harry Smith, a nephew of Percival F. Smith, Superintendent of the Lowistown Division, was crushed to death whilst engaged in coupling cars on Thursday last. An inquest was held and the body subsequently forwarded to Wilmington, Del., for burial.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Richards, of Blair Furnace, Blair county, has had her husband, Mr. Richards, incarcerated in the Hollidaysburg jail on a charge of adultery. A son of Mrs. Wilt, employed as a domestic in the family, said wilt thou to John, and he replied; hence the prosecution.

—By the dropping out of the bottom of a car at the Steel Works in Johnstown, one day last week, a quantity of molten iron was precipitated upon a young man named John Chorpenning, burning him in a shocking manner that little or no hope are of his recovery.

—A young son of Mr. Robert Owens, of Allegheny borough, attempted to get across the railroad track in a horse and wagon, on Saturday last, but a moving train, coming in contact with the vehicle, upset it and threw the boy out against some metal, thereby breaking both of his legs.

—Among the obituary notices in our paper to-day we announce the death of a little son of Mr. Wm. A. Jones, and in doing so we refrain from expressing our sympathy for our greatly bereaved friend. Little less than a fortnight Mr. Jones has been called upon to mourn the loss of wife, son and child, and truly may it be said his burden is hard to bear.

—A citizen, who deserves well of his fellows and had a large family, to which additions were being frequently made. One of his little boys was thus interrogated: "John, how many brothers and sisters have you got?" "I don't know," answered the boy; "I hain't been home this morning." The boy had been at Adam's cheap cash store buying goods 15 per cent. lower than they can be had elsewhere in Ebensburg.

—On Tuesday last, a young man named Harry Books met with a most shocking death while employed at the log job of Messrs. Reed & Henderson, near Gallitzin, in Susquehanna township, this county. He was at work at the time on top of a pile, engaged in separating the logs, which had becoming frozen together, and in doing them into the river, when suddenly the pile gave way, carrying him with it, and in the passage his head was caught between two of the logs and crushed in a fearful manner, producing death almost instantly. Young Books resided within about one mile of the Cherry Tree, and was about twenty-one years of age.

—The school building known as the Ross school house, in Blacklick township, this county, was destroyed by fire on Friday night last about 2 o'clock. How the fire originated is a mystery, but as the flames were first discovered on the outside of the building, one of two theories only can account for it—either that it was set on fire maliciously or caught from a barrel in which the ashes, being wood ashes, were deposited. As no ashes, however, had been put in the barrel for several days, and only then after having become perfectly cool, it is fair to presume that the fire was the work of an incendiary. School books and other property went with the building. Loss about $500.

CENSUS STATISTICS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY.—From the first volume of the "Ninth Census of the United States," just issued, we compile the following statistics relating to Cambria county. The subjoined table will show the population of the county every tenth year, beginning at 1810, with the increase since the preceding census:

Year.	*Population.*	*Increase.*
1810	2,117	
1820	3,287	1,170
1830	7,076	3,789
1840	11,256	4,480
1850	17,773	6,517
1860	29,155	11,382
1870	30,569	1,414

NUMBER OF COLORED POPULATION.

The census of 1870 includes 98 colored persons, against 115 in 1860. The census of 1810 shows 33 free colored persons and 6 slaves. The number of colored (free) decreased to 20 in 1820, and increased to 62 in 1830, 98 in 1840, and 128 in 1850, from which figures it again decreased to 115 in 1860 and to 98 in 1870. The slaves were not heard of after 1810.

NUMBER OF NATIVE AND FOREIGN BORN.

Of the native born, 28,758 were born in Pennsylvania, 88 in New York, 18 in New Jersey, 228 in Maryland, 83 in Ohio, and 75 in East and West Virginia. Total native born, 29,022.

The number of foreign born residents in the county in 1860 was 6,585, and in 1870 was 7,099. Not included in these figures there were in 1870, 16,849 having a foreign born father, and 15,209 having a foreign born mother. Of the 7,099 foreign, 33 were born in British America, 1848 in England and Wales, 2,219 in Ireland, 67 in Scotland, 12 in Great Britain (not stated), 2,764 in Germany, 113 in France, 7 in Norway and Sweden, 20 in Switzerland, 2 in Holland, 2 in Poland, and 1 in Italy.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND ILLITERACY.

Of the 7,941 children reported as attending school, 4,079 are white males, and 3,847 white females; there are 10 colored males and 5 colored females reported. Of native birth there are 7,680, and 261 of foreign birth. Of those over ten years old who cannot read we find 1,729, and of those who cannot write 3,250. Of these illiterate persons 2,695 are over 21 years, while the number between the ages of 01 and 15 is only 212, showing that there is improvement in the generation coming forward. Between the ages of fifteen and twenty-one there are 327 who cannot write. Of the illiterate enumerated above, 1327 are native and 2,514 foreign born. The honors of illiteracy are thus divided between the sexes:—Males who cannot write, 1,206; females, 2,044.

SELECTED STATISTICS.

Under this head we find in the county 59 religious organizations and 49 edifices, capable of seating 20,025 persons, and valued at $417,100. Of these organizations, 2 are Presbyterian, 9 Methodist, 7 Lutheran, 11 Roman Catholic, 3 Baptist, and 1 Episcopalian.

STATISTICS OF SEX.

Of males we find 18,601, and of females 17,968—a preponderance of males not usual in census statistics.

TOTAL POPULATION BY TOWNSHIPS, 1870.

Adams Towns'p...	856	Johnstown, 1st. w	1,621
Allegheny Twp...	1,220	" 2d "	1,093
Blacklick Twp....	646	" 3d "	817
Cambria Twp....	1,086	" 4th "	862
Camoria Boro....	1,744	" 5th "	1,075
Carroll Towns'p..	1,780	" 6th "	960
Carrolltown Bor..	416	Loretto Borough.	280
Chest Township..	870	Munster Twp....	595
Chest Springs Bor.	202	Millville Boro....	2 105
Clearfield Twp....	1,051	Prospect Boro....	516
Conemaugh Twp..	728	Richland Twp....	886
Conem'h Boro....	1,142	Summerhill Twp..	604
" 2w.	1,142	Summitville Bor..	177
Cooperdale Bor...	246	Susquehanna Tp.	1,595
Croyle Township.	884	Taylor Township.	1,670
Ebensburg Bor....	1,240	Washington Twp.	1,008
E. Conem'gh Bor..	436	White Township..	1,020
Franklin Borough	425	Wilmore Boro....	193
Gallitzin Twp....	977	Yoder Towns'p....	1,052
Jackson Towns'p..	906		

DISASTROUS OIL FIRE AT BLAIR FURNACE—*A Boy Burned to Death.*—The alarm of fire struck in this city about half past twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning was occasioned by the destruction by fire of twelve cars loaded with oil, and the burning of the oil loaded on five additional cars, a short distance East of Blair Furnace. The cars were attached to the Second Harrisburg Freight East, and when near the scene of the conflagration a portion of the train became detached and the cars subsequently coming in contact the oil took fire from some unexplained reason, totally destroying the number of cars above stated. The flames from the burning oil brilliantly illuminated the city, and it was first supposed that the lower railway shops were on fire, the alarm being struck therefor, but it was soon discovered that the conflagration was outside the city limits, when the different fire companies quietly returned with their apparatus to their respective engine houses. Upon proceeding to clear up the wreck after the flames had subsided, the wreckers were horrified to discover the body of a boy who had been roasted to death during the progress of the fire, the body being so horribly burned as to be past recognition. From a bunch of keys subsequently picked up at the same place where the body of the boy was discovered, it was learned that the name of the deceased is F. H. Ross, whose home is at Byer's Mills, near Tipton, it being generally supposed that the boy had taken passage on the train for the purpose of stealing a ride. The burning of the cars blocked both tracks, consequently the passenger trains due in this city early in the morning were detained several hours.—Altoona *Tribune*.

SHOCKING SUICIDE AT EAST CONEMAUGH.—John Christanz, one of the most respected citizens of East Conemaugh, and a strictly honest man, as we know by experience, was found hanging by the neck, perfectly dead, on Saturday morning last, in the attic story of his boot and shoe shop at that place. Mr. C. had left his house on Friday morning, after assuring his wife that he was going to Johnstown to employ a shoemaker to work for him, but his continued absence exciting alarm, search was instituted and continued until the appalling fact was revealed that he had committed suicide, as above stated. What prompted the terrible deed is beyond human ken to conjecture, but as he was some three hundred dollars behind in the collection of a duplicate entrusted to him as tax collector the presumption is that he allowed the matter to prey upon his mind until he became partially insane, and while in that condition committed the shocking act of self-murder which deprived his wife and two children of a kind husband and father and the community of a highly esteemed citizen. The deceased held the offices of Burgess and justice of the peace at the time of his death. He was born in Geldenhousen, Germany, was aged about 45 years, and had served his adopted country bravely in the late war.

—The house, barn and outbuildings on the farm of Samuel Moore, about midway between Newry and the Foot of Ten, were completely destroyed by fire on Sunday morning last about 3 o'clock. The property was occupied by Robert W. McFarland, who lost four horses, three colts, nine head of cattle, produce, furniture, etc., to the value of some $2,000, and having no insurance, is left almost destitute. Mr. Moore's loss aggregates about $4,000, half of which is covered by insurance. The fire was first discovered in the straw stack, and is believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

Local Correspondence.

JOHNSTOWN, March 18, 1873.

DEAR FREEMAN—"The stormy March has come at last." Real, genuine March weather prevails here in Johnstown, and it is thought that the spring will open early. The sugar season has fairly begun, and will soon be over. All fool's day is rapidly approaching. Moving day, too, with its turmoil, its trials, its labors, its sufferings, and its privations, will soon be upon us. I have often tried to write up moving day, but I could never do the subject full justice. My feeble efforts are somewhere on file in your office; so I will content myself now by saying that I sincerely sympathize with those who are annually compelled to move from place to place, to find a shelter for themselves and their families.

Among those of your patrons who have *not* to move may be mentioned Frank W. Hay, who is still the same clever and obliging man he has always been, and who still puts up and sells any quantity of tinware at his well known stand on Washington Street. Hay Brothers do not move neither. They can be found on the same street.

James J. Murphy does not change his place neither, but will still sell cheap clothing at the Star Clothing Store, Clinton street.

The same may be said of John Hannan, Patrick O'Connell has suspended for a short period, to repair his spacious building. He contemplates adding a number of rooms. Mr. Streum has also suspended temporily, to fix up his house. The Benford House is about having a cubit added to its stature, another story, more room, etc. The new Market House is completed, and the councilmen of the borough have bought thirty chairs, worth $16 apiece, for themselves. Another poor-house arrangement, except that O. D. P. is not appended to this item of expense. The tax-payers hereabouts have to sit on two dollar chairs.

John Dibert is now finishing up his mansion. Ditto Jacob Fend. George Fritz is about building a splendid stable near his residence. The new Episcopal church is progressing, also the Albright church, in the 5th ward.

Andy Glass, Johnstown's oldest and most efficient policeman, has been put on the retired list. He and his four brothers served in the war, but what of that? The "poor soldier" appeal has lost its talismanic power, when stay-at-home patriots can be promoted to the place once occupied by the "dear soldier."

"C," who writes some for the *Tribune*, says, in a panegyric on the dead, that "there is no living hand to-day that can write the history of Johnstown prior to a period of a quarter of a century ago;" but then he goes back himself to a half a century ago, and I think I could almost write its history from 1823. If I couldn't, Judge P—— could. Still it does not matter much whether it be written at all or not if it should be written as badly as he writes it. *Po Yang* could do it quite as well.

The greatest woolen factory in the world, or at least in this county, will probably be put in operation about the first of May. This immense structure is located in Woodvale borough, and will have an immense capacity when put in complete operation. I intend to write a description of it and the new tannery in the same borough, expressly for your columns, as soon as I can get time.

The schools are all closing here. One month more will turn out upon the world about two thousand pupils, if not scholars. *Apropos*, I would say here that the fifth month schooling in the townships, like the fifth wheel to a wagon, is a useless expense. The schools become nearly deserted in the spring, just before the time of closing. It is not so in the boroughs, where children's labor is not required.

We have two daily papers here now, and there is a lively competition or rivalship existing, which is salutary, if not wholesome. I do not care which *pig* whips. One goes by steam, and one by gas; but the gas, as usual, gives the most light, while the steam has the most power. My prayer is that both may succeed. The editors have been very kind to me, and I can but wish them good luck. I take both papers, and both daily and weekly issues, and if these editors had a thousand subscribers like me they would soon shine conspicuously in the list of bankrupts. "You know how it is yourself."

It is now proposed to form a new county out of the first ward of Johnstown. That ward is very populous, judging by the vote polled. The sixth ward will be ready for admission as a State in the year 1876. The territory is large, and there was an accession in one day to its population of sixteen bodies, if not souls.

The morals of the people here have improved ten per cent. since the excitement upon local option. This I know by *ocular* demonstration, as well as *cardiac* sensation. I have no doubt that the world would be ten per cent. better without ardent drinks. But their absence would not affect the *Credit Mobilier* and sich like.

Summing up the last winter's campaign, I find that we had twenty-four snows, forty blows, sixty zero [illegible] and four ice-floods. Not bad for one term.

The lecture delivered on last Sunday evening by Rev. Francis B. Cannon, O. S. B., in the Catholic church of this place gave universal satisfaction.

The tragic death of John Cristanz, at East Conemaugh, has produced a profound sensation. He was an honest man, and his very honesty was the cause of his death. Poor man! We sympathize deeply with the family.

There have been so many accidents and deaths here of late, that I cannot record them. There is only one step between time and eternity. And here I would quote a stanza from Gray's Elegy, but that fountain of poetry has been and is tapped by so many that I refrain at present.

You cannot fail to perceive that I am rapidly improving in English, and in general knowledge. There is an editor in Punxsutawny that people poke their fun at. But that editor could puzzle some of the wisest of the editorial *corps*. He knows which is the but end of a saw-log, and I'll bet that not one out of ten editors in the State can tell that. PO YANG.

CLEARFIELD TWP., March 12, 1873.

MR. EDITOR—As the common schools in this township have nearly all closed, I presume you will not hesitate to print a short sketch from this section in regard to an exhibition that was held yesterday at John B. Noonan's school, known as the Moyer's school, in this township. (If the schools were not nearly all closed would we be justified in hesitating?—ED.) The performances, which consisted of various plays, songs and orations of choice selection, were well rendered by the young pupils of said school. The Introductory, which was delivered by J. B. Noonan, was an original, manly composition, and its style and delivery reflected much credit on the author. The first play was "A Day's Sport Hunting," by Masters Litzinger and McDermitt. It was performed with much skill and produced quite a sensation among the spectators. "Keeping Tavern," by Masters Dearamitt and Weakland, and "The Way to Windham," by Masters Ivory and Sutton, were both admirably presented and elicited cheers from the audience. The next play, "The Colored Cousins," was performed by the teacher and Jos. Sutton, after which came "Grief Too Expensive," by teacher and N. Burke, followed by "Taking Photographs," by Misses Ivory and Sutton and A. L. Ivory and the teacher. The latter was a very lively burlesque, and gained for A. L. I. a reputation second to none as a photographer. Several songs were sung by the Misses Ivory and Miss Sutton, and Masters Ivory, Weakland and Litzinger. We also had an efficient band of music from Chest Springs and vicinity. The closing address by J. B. Noonan ended the exhibition. Much credit is due to the pupils of this school, as well as to the audience who witnessed their efforts—to the former for the admirable manner in which they acquitted themselves and to the latter for the good conduct observed by them on the occasion. Z.

Patrick's Day at St. Francis' College.

DEAR FREEMAN.—It was my good fortune to be present at an entertainment given by the members of St. Cecelia's Amateur Debating Society, on the 17th inst. After being comfortably seated in Excelsior Hall, a neatly printed programme (nothing but neat jobs leave the *Freeman* office) was given to me. By it I saw the plays were "Brian Borrheine," a historical Hibernian melo-drama, and a farce entitled "Watching and Catching." The dramatic persons were well sustained throughout, and reflected credit on the Cecelians and those who trained them. Mr. J. Reilly delivered the opening address in a very pleasing manner, his manly bearing and graceful gestures speaking highly for the young orator. Mr. E. McSwiggen followed with the panegyric of St. Patrick. The young Hibernian seemed in earnest and you could see plainly that he spoke the sentiments of his big heart. Oh! how many reminiscences did his speech awaken in the breast of many a Milesian—reminiscences of "*The Emerald Isle of the Ocean*," an island which is dear to every true Irish heart. W. J. Lynch, as Brian Borrheine, seemed to catch some of that fire which warmed the heart of Erin's best and greatest king. Mr. M. Hill played the part of Tormagnus with very good effect; but you could see plainly that it was foreign to his nature to act the tyrant. O'Donahue was well personified by Mr. P. Kelly, his graceful movements and fine speaking eliciting merited applause. Mr. S. Campbell sustained the part of Erena finely. Her coming in disguised as a harper was really touching. Mr. W. Kelly, with his "prolog," kept the audience in roars of laughter, and I think many will remember Felim McGuire for a long time. Mr. H. Toner did his part very well; the scenes between him and his servant Larry kept all present in continual merriment. Mr. W. Ryan acted the old miser and money-lender, and few if any, I think, no matter how grave they are, could look at him and his factotum, Jacob, without indulging in a hearty laugh. Mr. P. Reynolds personified "The Traveler," and indeed to look at him you would think him "off on the 9.55 train," and his dear Lucy along with him too. On the whole I was much pleased with my visit to my *Alma Mater*, and will not soon forget the pleasant scene I have hastily tried to sketch for your columns.

Yours, WILLIE.

St. Patrick's Day at Gallitzin.

GALLITZIN, March 18, 1873.

MR. EDITOR—The Benevolent Association of Ancient Hibernians celebrated St. Patrick's Day here in a highly becoming and pleasing manner by a large parade.—The day was clear and fine, the cool breeze which prevailed throughout rendering the occasion very agreeable. Early in the morning those who were to take part in the procession gathered at the school house on Tunnel Hill, and at half-past 9 o'clock proceeded in a body to the church to attend Mass. The procession was officered by Thos. Stanley, County Delegate, and Edw. Callaghan and Jas. O'Neill, President and Secretary respectively of the Association. They displayed a very beautiful green silk banner, wreathed with the ever green shamrock and bearing appropriate inscriptions, with pictures of the Apostle of Ireland and Maid of Erin with harp. The richly trimmed sashes fairly glittered in the sun. At the church our zealous pastor, Rev. Thomas Ryan, delivered a most eloquent and affecting sermon on St. Patrick, the Patron of Ireland, during which he dwelt feelingly upon the efforts made by the English nation to crush out the faith in the Emerald Isle, but by strict adherence to the counsels of their bishops and priests the people of that beautiful but unfortunate land had preserved the faith, and to-day the government of England is so paralyzed that there is every reason to believe that the time is not far distant when the sons of Erin in their own country, as well as in this, will be able to display the banner of green and elevate it above the hateful red. After Mass was over all fell into line and marched to Gallitzin Station, and from thence back to Tunnel Hill, with fifes and drums playing Irish tunes appropriate to the occasion. The people of Gallitzin who participated on that day not only did credit to themselves, but to the cause they represented. They looked as though they were entering a field of military display, and a finer lot of men could not be found anywhere. Their appearance indicated great pride in the cause and a commendable desire to do honor to the great name of St. Patrick. The hour of 2 o'clock having arrived, and the men having become wearied, they halted opposite the school house on Tunnel Hill, and after giving three cheers for Erin and "the day we celebrated," returned to their respective homes, without having indulged to a noticeable extent in the beverages so commonly used on such occasions. So ended the 17th of March at Gallitzin and Tunnel Hill. OBSERVER.

Another Account.

GALLITZIN, March 17, 1873.

EDITOR FREEMAN—*Dear Sir:* The annual festival of St. Patrick was celebrated here in a very respectable and appropriate manner. The Society of St. Patrick, numbering about eighty members, convened at their usual place of meeting at an early hour, and were there formed in procession by that model gentleman, M. Maher, Esq., as chief marshal, assisted by R. Troy, Esq., President of the Society. The star spangled banner was carried in front of the procession, followed by the magnificent banner of the Society. The procession, preceded by excellent martial music, marched about one mile and a half, and then repaired to the church, where High Mass was offered for the benefit of the Society. After Mass a very able address was delivered by our revered pastor on the strength and firmness of the faith implanted by St. Patrick in the hearts of the Irish people, and concluded by exhorting all to imitate his example by loving God above all and our neighbors as ourselves for the love of God. The A. O. of B. H., numbering upwards of fifty members, also made their appearance for the first time, attired in handsome regalia and following a beautiful and costly banner, going in procession to the church, and after Mass marched to Gallitzin and from thence back to their place of meeting.

Every person behaved with great decorum and in a true Christian spirit throughout the entire day, and up to a late hour not a single drowned shamrock was to be seen anywhere. F. J. P.

THE RIGHT WAY.—The way to get rich is to spend less money than you earn, and the proper way to do this is to buy where you can buy the cheapest, and buy only what you need. Myers & Lloyd's great mercantile mart offers the best inducements to cash purchasers in this region. Goods very cheap, very select, and very abundant.

THE BELL'S GAP NARROW GUAGE RAILROAD.—The following description of the above named enterprise, as well as the region through which it passes, and the great natural stores of wealth its construction is sure to develop, appeared in the Hollidaysburg *Standard* some three months ago, and would have been published by us at that time had not our copy of the paper in some mysterious way escaped our vision. As the road is designed to tap the undeveloped coal fields and primeval forests of the north-eastern part of this county, among our readers there are not a few who will be interested, even at this late day, in the account given below:

There is an enterprise in Blair county which we have often thought of noticing at some length—an enterprise the inception and completion of which is largely due to the enterprise and energy of Gen. B. F. Bell. We allude to the Bell's Gap Narrow Guage Railroad, running from Bell's Mills, on the Pa. R. R., over the Allegheny mountains down to the valley of the Clearfield creek. This important work, which is the only narrow guage road in the State, except a small one in the anthracite coal regions, was commenced in April, 1872, and since that time the work of construction has been pushed with great vigor, until at this time the grading has been completed as far as the summit, and the rails have been laid within a mile or two of the same point.

Under the supervision of skillful and experienced engineers, the road so far as laid is a model of durable and safe engineering, and we doubt if there is a road in the country which, under similar circumstances, can surpass it in this essential characteristic.—And this has been accomplished in the face of numerous obstacles, the character of the country and the height of the summit above the point of connection with the Pennsylvania railroad at Bell's Mills—twelve hundred and forty-five feet in a distance of eight and a half miles—rendering a grade of one hundred and fifty eight feet per mile and very heavy curves necessary.

The scenery along the route of the road is necessarily grand. Winding in and around mountain ravines, crossing gorges, curving around points hundreds of feet above the streams below, the traveler has unfolded to his view a panorama of mountain scenery unsurpassed in America, and amply worthy of a special visit by the admirer of nature in her grandest form.

The mountain scenery, however grand, would scarcely compensate for the building of a railroad, and the gentlemen who are at the head of the enterprise, while fully appreciating nature's loveliness, are not unmindful of her hidden jewels, and it was to get at those that the construction of the road has been undertaken. Nature is something of a miser. She loves to hoard her treasures, and is sometimes successful until attacked by men of energy and enterprise. Such was the case in this instance.

The line of the road passes directly thro' a region teeming with undeveloped wealth. Iron ore is known to exist in large quantities. Fire clay of the finest quality is abundant. Building stones are numerous. Immense forests of pine, hemlock, chestnut and other valuable timber whisper to each other of the good they shall do in the world when the ax of the woodman has laid them low.

Undoubtedly, however, the immense, undeveloped coal fields of this region are the most important and are destined to be a source of almost incalculable profit to their lucky owners. This coal is nearer the eastern markets than any other bituminous vein developed, is said to be fully equal to the celebrated Cumberland coal for all practical purposes, and will command a ready sale. It is estimated that the daily shipment of coal alone over the road in one year from the present time will exceed five hundred tons.

Thus it will be seen that the Bell's Gap railroad is an important enterprise, that it will open for purposes of traffic a rich and hitherto undeveloped country, and that its business must of necessity be a paying one. But this is not all. The road proposes to "spread itself." The distance from Bell's Mills to Clearfield Creek, one of the best lumbering regions in the state, is only sixteen miles. To this point the road will be shortly completed, and, in all probability, it will in a few years extend through Clearfield and adjoining counties and connect with other roads in the northwest.

As we said at the beginning, the rapid construction of this important artery of trade is mainly due to the indomitable exertions of General Bell. True, he owns several thousand acres of heavily timbered land—much of it underlaid with coal—and several seams of iron ore and fire clay—along he line of the road, and will be greatly benefited by its completion, but in no case less does he deserve the congratulations and well wishes in favor of the proper development of those advantages given us by nature. That he may reap an abundant harvest from the investment of time and money, is the sincere wish of all who know him.

Bell's Mills already feels the impetus given by the narrow gauge railroad. A town of over five hundred lots has been laid out, and there is ample room for that further extension which is bound to come. Many of the lots have been sold and numerous new buildings will be erected in the spring. The shops of the Bell's Gap railroad company will all be located here, with warehouses, transfer sidings, coal tipples, and other necessary buildings.

The Penn'a railroad company, which always looks far into the future and plans accordingly, is at present engaged in making some very important and extensive improvements at Bell's Mills, looking toward the transaction of the heavy shipping business which will be done at that point by next spring. Among other things, we note the erection of a large and elegant iron bridge, to [illegible] and also the [illegible] coaling and watering station for the main line, the great corporation having made arrangements with General Bell for a supply of water from Bell's Run, which furnishes an abundance of pure water, not only for this purpose, but also for the wants of the people. * * *

—Altoona has had another sensation in the discovery of the dead bodies of two infants, both undoubtedly the fruits of illegitimate passion, and both the probable sacrifices to a heartless mother's shame.—One of the little unfortunates was found in Olmes & Sink's ice house, while the other was discovered on the plank road, a short distance from the city. The Coroner held the customary inquests, but no clue to the heartless perpetrators of the cowardly murders was discovered.

NEW HOUSE AND LOT OF GROUND FOR SALE.—Situate on Julian street, three doors from Town Hall. The house has just been finished inside and out, and contains seven commodious rooms, has a good cellar under the front part and a well of excellent water at the door. This property is located on one of the best streets in Ebensburg, and can be bought cheap for cash. Possession given on the first day of April next. Apply immediately to T. T. SPENCE.

At his Photograph Gallery, opp. new Bank.

SOME people may talk about the big stock of flour, feed and groceries they keep; and others may try to induce persons to buy by declaring they sell very cheap. Yet this bear in mind, nowhere will you find, though you seek o'er and o'er, better flour and feed, and other things that you need, than at E. J. Mills' cheap store. Try his choice teas.

CHAPPED hands, face, rough skin, pimples, ringworm, salt-rheum, and other cutaneous affections cured, and the skin made soft and smooth, by using the JUNIPER TAR SOAP, made by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York. Be certain to get the *Juniper Tar Soap*, as there are many worthless imitations made with common tar. [n.15.-12w.]

THE PUREST AND SWEETEST COD-LIVER OIL is Hazard & Caswell's, made on the sea shore, from fresh, selected livers, by CASWELL, HAZARD & CO., New York. It is absolutely *pure* and *sweet*. Patients who have once taken it prefer it to all others. Physicians have decided it superior to any of the other oils in market. [12w].

CAUTION.—Every genuine box of Dr. McLANE'S LIVER PILLS bears the signature of FLEMING BROS., and their private United States Stamp. ☞"Take no other." The market is full of imitations.

HANDSOME OFFICES.—*Reception and Consultation Rooms of the Drs. Oldshue Elegantly Remodeled—A Laboratory Added—Comfortable Quarters and Increased Facilities.*—Physicians, as a rule, exercise discriminating care in fitting up their offices with all the paraphernalia essential to intelligent practice, and some even combine elegance with convenience. In the latter category the Drs. Oldshue must be placed. They have for many years enjoyed an extensive as well as lucrative practice, which, constantly increasing, rendered increased facilities necessary. Their office has been several times enlarge and remodeled, but still their list of visiting patients so increased that they were obliged to erect an additional building. This has just been completed, and their double suite of rooms, remodeled so as to secure the greatest convenience, comfort and elegance.

The first and main office is the reception room, which is entered from Grant street, by the old doorway. To the right is the ladies' consulting room, access to which is also gained from Grant street, but by a private door, disconnected with the general entrance. On the left of the reception room is another private consulting room, and in the rear is the Laboratory, so that there is no necessity for entering the main room to procure medicines or refire—an advantage which lady patients always appreciate. The reception and consulting rooms are handsomely furnished, and in their new adornments of paintings and upholstering present a most luxurious appearance.

The Laboratory is a special feature in itself, constructed for the particular purpose of obtaining accuracy in compounding prescriptions. Here the medicines from the very base to the composite state are continually under the immediate supervision of the physicians, so that the greatest accuracy is secured. In charge of the Laboratory is a chemist of fifteen years practical experience. Thus patients can have the utmost confidence in the purity of the medicines, and the accurate compounding of the prescriptions; while the widespread reputation of the Drs. Oldshue themselves furnishes a guarantee of their trustworthiness and skill, and has been deserved only by constant and intelligent application to the arduous duties of the medical profession in its varied phases. It gives us pleasure in thus noting the evidences of their enterprise and success.—*Pittsburgh Post.*

HOLLOA there! are you aware that from Huntley, the fair dealer and square, you can buy the best of hardware, and homemade tinware, and all kinds of wood ware, besides every style of glassware, and groceries cheap, fresh and rare, at prices that will for cheapness compare with those of any like dealer here or elsewhere? If you don't know these facts, call at Huntley's big house-furnishing depot, Ebensburg, and he will soon see "how it is yourself;" but if you do know them and don't act on the knowledge, we can only say that you are sading very much in your light, and the sooner you get out of it the better for your pocket-book.

HEAVEN Bless S. J. Hess, who, with his brother, keeps goods so fine in the clothing line, unsurpassed by any other. Their store complete is on Main street, in famous Johnstown borough, where all will find treatment kind and never know a sorrow for having bought a bunkum lot of clothing cheap tomorrow, to-day, or at any other time, for be it known that their store, 241 and 243 Main street, is now filled to repletion with the first invoice of elegant clothing, etc., for the spring trade, that has yet reached that city.

WHEN Dame Nature begins to don her mantle of green, and the other dames and damsels commence thinking about a change of raiment suitable to the genial season now approaching, then will all feminine eyes and many feminine footsteps be turned in the direction of A. T. Coppock's principal dress goods and dry goods bazaar, 232 Main street, Johnstown, which is par *excellence* the place to buy the choicest goods at the lowest prices.

HYMENEAL.

LEWIS—EVANS.—Married, in Cambria twp., on the 13th inst., by Rev. M. B. Cox, Mr. Johnathan Lewis and Miss Annie B. Evans, both of said township.

OBITUARY.

JONES.—Died, in this place, on Tuesday last, Ernest A., son of Wm. A. Jones, aged 2 years, 2 months and 10 days.

LITZINGER.—Died, in Allegheny township, March 11th, of croup, infant son of Simon and Mary Litzinger, aged 5 weeks.

GOSS.—Died, in Altoona, on Tuesday last, Mrs. Ann Goss, wife of John Goss, recently of this place, aged about 25 years.

MURPHY.—Died, in Johnstown, on Sunday last, Edward C., infant son of John J. and Gussie Murphy, aged five and a half months.

EDWARDS.—Died, in Jackson township, Indiana county, on the morning of the 6th instant, Owen Edwards, in the 66th year of his age.

LITTLE.—Died, in Allegheny township, on the 15th inst., of inflammation of the lungs, Frankie C., infant daughter of Henry J. and Carrie E. Little, aged 1 year 8 months and 1 day.

VALLADE.—Died, in Altoona, on the 12th inst., of scarlet fever, Raphael Augustus, second son of J. G. and Lizzie M. Vallade, aged 4 years and 21 days.

NOTICE.—The annual election of a Board of Trustees of the Ebensburg Academy will be held at the Court House in Ebensburg on MONDAY, the 7TH DAY OF APRIL next, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock, P. M.

JNO. E. SCANLAN, Sec'y.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against interfering in any way with the following goods and chattels bought by us from Wm. P. Buck, of Carroll township, and left with him during our pleasure: 2 bay mares, 2 cows, 1 heifer, 1 sheep, 3 pigs, 1 two-horse wagon, 1 spring wagon, 1 threshing machine, 1 corning box, a lot of rye, oats, hay and straw, 3 bedsteads and bedding, 11 chairs, 1 cupboard, 1 dress sewing machine, 1 cooking stove, 1 wheelbarrow, 1 harrow, 1 log sled and 2 log chains, 1 windmill, 1 cook stove, 1 heating stove, and a lot of horse gears.

JOS. HOOVER,
JOS. GUTWALD.

March 21, 1873. 3t.*

STILL UP AND AT IT!

CABINET MAKING AND UNDERTAKING.

Thankful for past liberal favors, the subscriber desires to inform the people of Ebensburg and vicinity that he is still carrying on the business above named in all its branches, on High street, nearly opposite the Public School House. Substantially made Furniture of all kinds sold at lowest figures. Coffins of any desirable size or finish furnished on short notice, and funerals attended to promptly and satisfactorily.

ROBERT EVANS.

Ebensburg, March 21, 1873.-6m.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.—By virtue of an *alias* order of the Orphans' Court of Cambria county, I will be exposed to public sale, at the hotel of Florian Bengler, in the borough of Loretto, on **Saturday**, the **12th day of April** next, at 2 o'clock, P. M., the following described real estate, of which James McGough died seized, to wit: A PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND situated in the township of Allegheny, county of Cambria, adjoining lands of Bernard and Charles Schlis, Henry Little, and others, containing 90 Acres and 125 Perches, about 40 Acres of which are cleared, having thereon erected a Log Barn.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on confirmation of sale, and the balance in one year thereafter, to be secured by the judgment bond and mortgage of the purchaser. FRANCIS O'FERRALL,

March 21, 1873.-3t. Trustee.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers at private sale her FARM in Summerhill township, about 2½ miles north of Wilmore. Said Farm contains 100 Acres and allowance, about 50 Acres being cleared, under good fence and well cultivated, and having thereon a Log House and Log Stable. There is also a small orchard of choice fruit on the premises. The balance of the land is covered

DAVE LARKINS' COAT.

BY MARCELLA.

This story is as true as stories ever are. It was told me by an old gentleman from York State, who is, incredible as it may seem, almost as truthful at sixty as George Washington was at six. And I—well, my memory is equal to my imagination any time, and I am going on my memory now.

It arose from a conversation on clothes, comparing the peculiarities, especially the absurd ones, of the present with those of the past. He had the advantage of me, for he had enjoyed a good deal more past than I had, and felt gleeful over it. I was not quite willing to give it up so, for hadn't I seen my grandmother's bonnets? But they were nothing to the things I had not seen; and I listened to one description after another of things ugly, inconvenient or ridiculous—perhaps all three—till I didn't want any more.

Swallow-tailed blue broadcloth came up at last, and I enjoyed a brief flash of triumph, for had I not seen my father's well-saved wedding suit? But the old gentleman soon annihilated me. He brought up the identical coat that Dave Larkins wore, I don't know how long before I was born. Of course I knew nothing at all about that particular coat, and couldn't help wanting to know. So I subsided, with my best expression of mute attention.

Now I must admit (he never reads papers with any nonsense in them, and won't know it), that the old gentleman can tell a story better than I can. I will, however, give it to the best of my recollection, solemnly averring that the cream at least is genuine.

Dave Larkins was one of those unfortunate fellows who, they say, used to exist a good many years ago, with great will but small ability to be successful ladies' men. There was not a girl in the neighborhood that had not mittened him; some had mittened him several times. If a new girl ventured there he presented her with attentions until she was half frantic. Nature had not done well by him, so he tried to do the best he could by himself, and dressed all he knew how, at least whenever he expected to meet girls.

He went to a paring bee one night arrayed in his very best. Now the rest all wore only their second best at paring bees, or something not even so good, and were disgusted at Dave. The idea of all the young folks in the community being outshone and humiliated by Dave Larkins' Sunday coat! They went from disgust to indignation, and their indignation was bad for that coat. Apple parings began to fly quite promiscuously, and then rotten apples; and by some force of circumstances they all hit fairly on some part of that coat. A pitiful looking coat it was—ruined in fact; but Dave had one consolation—he had never received so much attention before in his life. He had a new coat made and wore it to meeting hopefully. Blue cloth it was, with swallow tails and brass buttons so bright that you could see your face in every one of them.

Some of the big boys outside the meeting-house made grimaces at each other and snickered; but what did he care? Dewilda Cunningham, called Wildy for short, had ridden up just as he was tying his horse, and had actually permitted him to help her off and tie hers. This unwonted grace had cheered his very soul. But this was not all. As she had turned her head to give him a parting glance, she smiled.

Now, he had always had a sort of inclination toward Wildy Cunningham, and she had always turned him the cold shoulder very decidedly. An uncommonly smart, capable, good looking girl she was no wonder, if she had not been the greatest mischief in the neighborhood, and famed far and wide for her pitiless practical jokes. Young men who did not hold themselves cowards were afraid of Wildy.

But "fools rush in where angels fear to tread," as has been written and quoted a few hundred times before, I believe. Emboldened by that smile and that coat, Dave resolved to try his chances once more.

Wildy kept house for an old couple who were both as deaf as—no I won't say deaf as a post—find a comparison yourself, please, and let me go on. Dave Larkins came along that evening just as she was going out to milk. She greeted him so cordially that his courage rose still higher. He went with her to milk and helped her carry in the pails. How chatty and sociable she was. It really seemed to him as if he might possibly have a chance of winning the smartest and thriftiest girl in the settlement after all—he, Dave Larkins. What a success that would be, and how some fellows would envy him.

He helped her down cellar with the milk, and stood watching while she strained it, she talking away gayly with him all the time. She took up the empty pails and hesitated a moment.

"Here, Dave," she said, suddenly; "you stay here a moment till I go up to the kitchen for a bowl."

She tripped lightly up the steps, and in a second the trap door on the porch, by which they had gone down, was shut, and he was in Egyptian darkness.

Wildy slipped the bolt, and then, running into the kitchen, fastened the cellar door there.

"She will let me out pretty soon," he thought; "it is only a joke," and tried not to care; but by the time the minutes had lengthened into hours he did care a good deal. He called for help, of course, and at last, grown desperate, yelled with all his might, but she would not heed, and nobody else could hear. He paced back and forth, back and forth, between the two long benches that held the pans of milk, till he was tired, and then sat down on the cellar stairs and slept.

Poor fellow! He awoke cold, and walked and stood about to keep off the chill, till it seemed to him as if he had been there several years. Daylight came in between the close bars of the windows and brought him hope, but no relief. Hours of daylight passed, and he was half-famished as well as tired out, and utterly crestfallen. He swore solemnly to himself, the walls and the milk-pans, that he would never look at another girl as long as he lived.

At last the trap-door was raised, and hasty steps beat a retreat. He walked up stiffly and looked around. Nobody was visible. He started home and the fresh air and sense of liberty gave him an idea.

"Nobody need know it," he thought; "they'll just suppose I went to see Wildy and stayed this morning a little late. I don't believe she'll tell it. If she does, I'll say 'taint so, that I set up with her in the kitchen. I guess folks'll believe me if I stick to it."

About the time he arrived at this sage conclusion, he saw Deacon Smiley and his family, including a gossippy wife and two grown daughters, driving toward him, on their way to town. He took off his hat, brushed down his hair, and walked on boldly.

"Good morning, Dave," said the deacon. "Dressed in your best, and on your way home this time Monday morning! What does this mean?"

Dave smiled, and looked as if he could tell, but wouldn't.

Miss Ruthey spoke up, "Guess he's been over to see Wildy, and forgot to go home. Will saw him going that way last night."

Dave didn't deny "the soft impeachment."

"But, Dave, what on earth ails your coat?" exclaimed Mrs. Smiley.

Dave cast two rapid glances over his coat, one in front and the other behind. Those milk pans! They stood just high enough for the swallow-tails to skim and dip to advantage. The unlucky wretch! He grinned a ghastly grin, and then, Ruthey said, looked as if he was wanting to cry. The deacon drove on.

The story leaked out, as a matter of course, and the circumstantial evidence being so strong, it was believed. Poor, desperate, discouraged Dave had to tell somebody to relieve his lacerated feelings, so he gave my informant all these particulars, and added:

"I ain't going to give up so, though. I'm going to try Nancy Brown. They say she ain't more'n half-witted; but I don't care—she'll suit me all the better. I don't like these sharp girls."

It may be a comfort to you, as it certainly was to me, to know that he did marry Nancy Brown, and turned out quite a money-saving man and a good "provider."

Wildy did not enjoy unalloyed satisfaction from her cruelty. She lost a whole churning of cream, and that, too, when butter was bringing an extra cent on the pound.

LOVERS IN FLAMES—HOW TWO YOUNG FOLKS GOT TOO WARM SLEIGH-RIDING.—We have already made it a matter of printed record that a house was set on fire by carrying heated bricks to bed, and that a young married couple were "scorched" by heated "sadirons." It now becomes our duty, as a faithful chronicler of passing events, to record a freak of ardive cupid under peculiar circumstances, whereby an improvised funeral pyre on the broad prairie almost became a matter of dead fact. Without holding the reader in suspense any longer we proceed at once with the story. One week ago last Sunday (the news has been some time reaching us) a Mr. Fogarty and a Miss Kennedy, of Pilot Grove, eight miles north of Independence, resolved like good Christians to go to church. The morning was bright and bitter cold, as every one will remember.—No fair weather or warm weather Christians were this worthy couple, but as persevering as Bunyan's ideal; therefore they heated a goodly size chunk of coal stick in the stove, chucked it into the bottom of the sleigh, jumped in themselves, wrapped their quilts and blankets around them and drove on. The miles soon began to be gathered up pretty rapidly under the nimble feet of the horses. The bells jingled, and everything began, notwithstanding the keen, bitter air, to be "lovely and divine," when suddenly, a scent of something burning began to fill the air. The lady was the first to scent it, and immediately called the attention of her partner to the very palpable odor. A moment after a column of smoke was seen to issue from behind their seat. Fire! both exclaimed, and jumping from the sleigh, each discovered the other to be in a blaze. In jumping out, as was natural they should, Mr. Forgarty jumped out on his side and Miss Kennedy on hers. The danger was imminent. Mr. F. was on fire, Miss K. was on fire, and the sleigh was on fire. With a commendable presence of mind Mr. F. snowballed himself out, and then rushed to the rescue of Miss K., but by that time the fire had got under such headway that her garments were consumed to her underclothing; even the bone stays of her corset were crisped. Mr. F. rolled her in the snow, and soon had the satisfaction of knowing that, although she was reduced to a very primitive garment for a covering, her person had actually escaped from any serious harm. Our informant did not state how Mr. Forgarty got his dulcinea home. —*Dubuque, Iowa, Times.*

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